# DEAD OF NIGHT

# EPISODE ONE THE EXORCISM BY DON TAYLOR

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# STUDIO SCHEDULE;

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18.30 - 19.30 19.30 - 21.45		DINNER Comern rehearsal.
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1// 00 16 16	• 6 • •	Camera rehearsal (VT from 15.30) Dress Run etc. (without Telecine)
18.00 - 19.00		(Press photographer: B. Nicholson) DINNER
19.30 - 22.00	• • • • •	S. & V. Line-up VTR Recording (discontinuous)
(19.30 = 20.30 <u>VTR No</u> ;	•••••	Record Telocine & VT ins, VTC/ VTC/6HT/78256/MGW (ED) <sup>6HT/84</sup> 31./VTN2)
T (ELECTRONIC):		13th & 14th April, at TVR 1 (Lond.)

"(without severic film title 'bead of Wight') - 249'12"

#### CAST

Rachel .. .. ANNA CROPPER (Dr. Km. 6) Margaret SYBVIA KAY (Dr.Rm. 7) Edmund .. EDWARD PETHERBRIDGE ( 3) Dan CLIVE SAIFT (Dr. Rn. 1) <u>Valkons:</u> Photographer (Dr. Rm. 2) David Seculler . . Fingerprint det. .. Norman Tighe ٠, Policemen Jimmy Martin 0 4 0 4 Newsroader (on VT Ins.) Kenneth Kendell

#### TECHNICAL

Cameras: L - Pedestal 2 - Pedestol 3 - Pedestal 4 - Pedestal 5 - Greeper

3 Booms (X, Y, Z) 2 Fishing Rods (Redio curs for F.M.) Grans. (FX discs) Sound:

Tape machine (Music tape; Radiophonic Tano TRV 7567)

Cantions: Colour caption commer (17 slides)

Monitore: 4 slung; 3 floor.

Telecine: Seq.1 - opening(+ tifles) Seq.2 - closing(+ titles & l6mm. colour: music)

Recording Brooks/Pauses: 4 Breaks; 10 Pauses.

Visual FX insert recorded 5th April (VTC/6HT/78256/MGN/A) not to be played into programms recording, but inserted at Eduting. Miscellaneous:

News insert (recorded in London 29.2.72 - VTC/6HT/8431/VTN2, dur. 1'30") to be recorded onto main tape 6th April, after film sequences and before main recording.

Stairs shots (5) to be recorded at end.

Production Room: Dressing Room 4.

DEAD OF NIGHT THE EXORCISM

by DOW TAYLOR

(To be added later)

GENERIC FILM OPENING - RUSHING THROUGH WOOD.

S/I TITLE:
"DEAD OF NIGHT"

(Day-2.)

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So. 1: EXT. COTTACE

(DAY)

PERCINE: Film seq. 1. (18 LS cottage, tree on A. across bonnet of two cars.

S.o.F: Birds FX.

5. TTTE 1: THE EXORCISM

TAKE OUT STIDE

S/I SLIDE TITLE 2: "by DON TAYLOR" 6.

TAKE OUT SLIDE

(TK Seq. 2 next)

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(After Sc.54.)

#### 8c. 2: MAIN BEDROOM

# /LC, 5A, 2C, LD: Z3/

(EDMUND IS SHOVING DAN ROUND LUXURIOUSLY MODERN ROOM,)

25. CU DAN at window as he turns to Cam.

/BOOM Z3/

DAN: -(I'm not surprised the ---conversion took so long.)

Finding the right cottage is the most important thing.

(SKY BOOM)

26. W/S low long 2/S DAN/EDMUND by window and steps.

EDMUND: Yes, We wore very lucky.

DAH: Did someone put you on to it?

to 1)) C (pulling back/ 27. CU EDMUND. PANNING him L, GRABBING L. and PANNING R. to 2/S with DAN on R. as EDMUND joins hi.m.

EDMUND: No, we were out driving one weekend, and we saw it from

the road. / It was evening, and the sunset dramatised it a bit I think./ Anyway, it looked interesting, and pleasantly isolated, so we drove up the track and had a look.

28. Vide 2/S from across room EDMUND/DAN. HOLD 2/S as EDHUID prosses to sit on bed R.

DAN: It's getting harder and harder. All the decent ones get snapped up in no time,

EDMUND: Of course, it wasn't much more than a ruin really.

29. <u>1 D</u> OU EDMUND as he sits. Doors and windows boarded up,

and nettles three feet high,

right up to the wall. But we
liked the area, it's reasonably
convenient for London, and
anyway, Rachel fell in love
with it.

(Settee out, Floater 1 out)

## Se. 3: DINING ROOM/KITCHEN

# $\sqrt{40: \overline{Y2}. 3B: F.R.1.4D7}$

(TABLE IS LAID FOR CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR FOUR. MARGARET IS PUTTING GUTLERY IN POSITION. RACHEL ENTERS FROM KITCHEN.)

/<u>BOOM\_Y2</u>/

30. 4 ( OU hand putting knife down.

PAN UP with table mat to see MARGARET'S face f/g R.

RACHEL anters back L.

31. <u>3 B</u>
MOU RACHED.

MARGARET: Rachel, it's lovely, really itis. I do envy you.

RACHEL It's funny about houses, isn't it. It's friendly here.

You know how a house sort of welcomes or repels you as soon.

32. 4 T

MOU MARGARET.

PAN L. to 2/S at sideboard with RACHEL, RACH/MARG.

MARGARET: We've been looking for years on and off. But Dan seems to think that beautifully decorated cottages just sit there,

ee you open the door.

(Cont'd.)

(3 next)

(3 next )

(Ling RET, contid.): in idyllic surroundings, waiting for him to take out his cheque book.

MARGARET leaves R.

3 B MCU RACHEL 33.

(F.R.1/

RACHEL: I felt it the very first time we came inside: almost as though something were saying, "You're welcome here."

back into the eighteenth century.

#### Sc. 4: MAIN BEDROOM

The whole place BOOM Z37

The was completely 2 0 CU EDMUND on bed derelict. Been standing empty for years and years. 35. D 2/S EDMUND f/g L. DAN: You A bit off the beaten track DAN b/g R. HOLD 2/S as DAN I suppose. moves. We had a hell of a job finding out who owned it, actually. Took my solicitor the best part 36. of six months, and then it was the land, not the building. As far as we can stell, the house itself doesn't seem to have any trace of an owner, even by descent. drew a complete blank. 37. D (crabbing R.-E) Well, whoever owned it, farm DAN: CRAB R. to E. PAN L. to let him go L. and labourers must have lived here. Family after family of them, right

- 4 -

(On 1, shot 37)

HOLD on CU EDMUND

DAN reappears in b/g to make 2/S, DAN/EDMUND.

EDMUND: That's what my father said. Ten generations of men who lived on broad and cheese. And now us. He sees it as symbolic.

<u>DAN</u>: Aha. And I bet you get it for about fifty pounds, didn!t you!

EDMUND: A bit more than that.

Not too much more though.

- DAN: How sickening!

#### Se. 5: KITCHEN

# /30. X17 /FX DISC7

MARGARET:

38. 3 C

Widish 2/S

RACHEL f/g L.,

MARGARET entering

b/g R.

MARGARET. You must have had the kitchen built on.

/S/B FX DISC/

There was a sort of shed thing. But we had to rebuild it almost completely; and the loo and to bathroom of course, that's all new.

Well, if one's going to

/BOOM X17

live in the country, even at weekends, one must provide for the
creature comforts. I can't bear
those dreadful people WASTE

who lead civilised lives

in offices and suburbs all week, and then go back to nature and live like cavemen at the weekend.

(Cont'd.)

PAN MARGARET in MCU L. into new 2/8 with RACHEL, RACHEL/MARGARET.

HOLD 2/S till RACHEL leaves L.

(l next)

(On 3, shot 38)

(MARGARET, cont'd.):

They deposi their dung in piles

under your bedroom window, because

it's good for the soil, and when

they give you a cup of tea, it's

RACHEL leaves R.

full of boiled newts.

<u>Pricite</u> well, da't loving, we've

very civilized have.

Sc. 6: SMALL BEDROOM

# /10, 2D-E. F.R.2, Z4/

(EDMUND AND DAN ARE JUST LEAVING MAIN BEDROOM, AND APPROACHING STAIRS, WHICH LEAD IN RECTLY INTO THE SMALL BEDROOM.)

/F.R.2/

/BOOM Z4/

39. <u>1 0</u>

MS DAN leaving shower area.

<u>DAN</u>: Vell, you've pretty well got the lot haven't you, shower,

40. 2 D

WS 2/S as they come through door, EDMUND/DAN

stereo racio ...

PAN and CRAB R. with DAN to 2E.

EDMUND: Well, there was so much we had to do, there didn't seem any point in half measures.

 $\underline{\text{DAN}}$ : This is us, is it? The guest room.

EDMUND enters L. for 2/S.

EDMUND: The stairs look draughty, but they're not, actually. The central heating is adjustable for each room.

DAN rises and leaves L.
PAN EDMUND L. to stairs;
TRACKING IN with him. He leaves shot L. (Watch Pan off L.)

DAN: (BEGINNING TO GO DOWNSTAIRS)

It must have cost you a bomb.

EDMUND: Too much....

(Recording Pause next, then Cam. 4. - Sc. 8)

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(Recorded at end) Sc.7: STAIRS (Dialogue repeated at end)

360. Dan f/g, Edmund b/g coming down stairs and going out of door R.

EDMUND: (GOING DOWNSTAIRS)

I've got A set of photos we took

just as it was before the work

started. Edit point

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DAN: I'd rather you didn't. I don't think I could bear it.

>I'll get them out after dinner.

RECORDING FAUSE - 2:7 IAN & ED. to Living Room Stairs, FLOATER 1 OUT. FLOATER 2 IN. SWINGER 1 OPEN.

#### Sc. 8: DINING ROCM

(DAN AND EDMUND TO ENTER BEFORE MARGARET SPEAKS.)

41. 4 C

2/S RACHEL f/g

at table,

MARGARET b/g at sideboard.

MARGARET: I warn you, Christmas with Dan is usually ghastly. You don't know what you've let yourself in for.

/BOOM Y2/

42. 3 B

MS MARGARET at sideboard.

EDMUND and DAN visible coming downstairs in b/g.

RACHEL: Margaret, you're biased.

MARGARET: It's the same every year. He overeats like a pig at dinner, and fills himself up with gallons of red wine, then snores and groans his way through till Boxing Day. It's a memorable experience.

/RECORDING BREAK = 2:/ STRIKE FL. 2, 3 & 4, & BACKING 2. SET-IN Fl.1.

(3 next. So.9: Living Rm) - 7 -

#### Sc. 9: LIVING ROOM

1B-F-G, 2F-G, 3D-E, 4E. X2, Z2, Y3. MUSIC TAPE

(Replay Sc. 8 -Margaret & Rechel repeat business and dialogue in b/g for men's timing.)

43. Medium 2/S DAN

f/g L, EDMUND back R, MARGARET in b/g.

EDMUND goes b.

PUSH IN on CU DAN.

44. MS EDMUND at drinks. Repeat of Sc. 8 dial: Not heard oh booms)

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BOOM X2/ What does your Dod DAN: make of all this?

EDMUND: Sore point.

DAN: Has he seen what you've done to it?

EDMUND: We had him down for a weekend about a month ago. Rowed non-stop for forty-eight hours.

DAN: I can't help admiring your I must do an article old man. about him one of these days,

EDMUND: Do you want a sherry?

Yes please ... It'd be DAN: nice, wouldn't it, if we could all keep our simple beliefs, regardless of the facts.

/BOOM Z27

(1 next)

(On-2, shot 44)

National Commence

EDMUND: Medium or dry?

DAN: Medium, What did he say?

EDMUND: Asked me if I hadn't got anything better to do with

my money. / which is blood money anyway, as far as he's concerned.

Advertising, public relations, market research, any of the selling professions, all out!
Get over there, with the goats!

DAN: I should have been here and put the lot on tape. The working class, and its wealthy sons! Worth a page or two in the Statesman any day of the week!

EDMUND: He fixed me with his branch meeting look, and said,
"Eddie, my son, it's no way for a

 $exttt{DAN:}$  Did he indeed!/

Socialist to live."

EDMUND: So I told him in that case I wasn't a Socialist.

<u>DAN</u>: What did he say to that?

EDMUND: Nothing much. I think he was pretty shattered. So was I.

<u>DAN</u>: The blackmail that goes on between parents and children!

EDMUND: And the other way round.

45. <u>1 B</u>
<u>GU EDMUND.</u>

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46. 2 F

Vide 2/S

EDMUND L, DAN

approaching R.

PUSH IN to close
2/S EDMUND/DAN.

EU Elmin-I

Cu Dan

(3 noxt) W San

(On 2, shot 46)

<u>DAN</u>: After all, if one is forced to live in a bourgeois society, against one's will, as it were, I don't see why one shouldn't enjoy its legitimate rewards. I think we should be concentrating on how to be Socialists, and rich.

47. 3 D Wide shot MARGARET entering.

(MARGARET ENTERS ROOM.)

48.  $\frac{2}{\text{Vide }3/\text{S}-\text{E/D/M}}$ .

MARGARET: Politics are forbidden/ at Christmas. Don't let him tempt you Edmund. He's only collecting material for an article.

DAN: I've already told him that.

EDMUND: Sherry?

AN retreats as MARGARET comes f/g R, DAN b/g R.

MARGARET: Gin please...

RACHEL enters in b/g.

EDMUND: How long (will it

49. <u>3. D</u> Wide MS RACHEL. darling?

RACHEL: Not long. Time for a

50. <u>1 B</u> OU MARGARET.

MARGARET: Well, we're both

green with envy.

glass of sherry.

51. <u>3 D</u>

Close 2/S RACHEL

R, DAN L.

<u>/BOUM X2</u>7

/BOOM Z2/

<u>DAN</u>: Shh darling. Edmund's having an attack of guilt. They had a traumatic weekend with his father.

RACHEL: Oh, it wasn't that bad.

They get into those two chairs

(Cont)

(1 next)

- 10 -

(On 3, shot 51)

(RACHEL, Cont.) and go at each other like hammer and tongs.

They enjoy it.

DAN:

/BOOM Z2/

52. PANNING MARGARET R in MCU to 2/Swith RACHEL - MARGARET/RACHEL.

The poor old boy's MARGARET: probably lonely. Likes nothing better than to come to his son's place for a good old row now and again.

53. E (crabbed R.) Vide shot across clavichord as DAN approaches in b/g.

I think that's right... RACHEL: /BOOM Y37

2/S as before -MARGA ET/RACHEL. PAN RACHEL L.

Another affluent machine? indulgence?  $\sqrt{B00M}$  X27

(Watch X in-4's shot.)

Oh, that's my clavichord. RACHEL:

And what is this beautiful

55. Vide shot as RACHEL approaches. Edmund bought it for me so that I can keep in practice while we're away.

MARGARET: Oh darling, it's gorgeous!

And the central heating RACHEL: doesn't do it any good, but ...

Others arrive to create 4/S - RACHEL/MARGARET/EDMUND/DAN.

Of course, that didn't EDMUND; occur to me.

.... it is a beautiful RACHEL: instrument.

/S/B mus. TAPE/

MARGARET: Play us something.

 $\underline{\mathtt{R}\underline{\mathtt{ACHEL}}}$  . In the middle of getting

the dinner?

<u>DAN</u>: Something gentle and civilised, to usher in the feast!

MARGARET: You are pompous, how do I endure you?

 $\underline{\text{DAN}}$ : Play madam, play, ignore the interruption.

RACHEL:

Well, let me see ...

/GO MUS. TAPE/

(SHE BEGINS TO PLAY)

56. 1 F

CU RACHEL reaction:

(38")

57. 2 G OWARGARET, Lineman

58. 4 E DAN' Back had one, you know, and his san.

MARCHRET: Ssh

59. <u>1 F</u>
CU RACHEL.

Lachel

60. <u>2 G</u>
2/S MARGARET/ MARGARET: What a beautiful sound...
EDMUND.

EDMUND: Just right for the

cottage. Small scale. Intense.

PAN MARGARET R. to new 2/S MARGARET/DAN.

MARGARET: Lovely.

61. <u>L F</u>
CU RACHEL as she stops playing.

(MUSIC OUT)

(4 next)

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(On 1, shot 61)

- 62. 4 E
  CU Rachel's hands
  poised over the
  keyboard.
- 63. 1 F CU RACHEL.
- 64. <u>2. G.</u> CU EDMUND.

EDMUND: What is it?

65. <u>L F</u> CU RACHEL.

RACHEL: This music ... something...

In the back of my mind ....

66. <u>2 G</u> CU EDMUND.

EDMUND:

Darling...?

67. <u>4</u> E CU MARGARET.

68.

RACHEL: What was it? ... That

piece, do you know?

69. <u>2 G</u> \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

T CU RACHEL.

EDMUND: No.

**0**9a) <u>4 E</u> CU DAN DAN: Never heard it before.

70. <u>1 F CU RACHEL.</u> 71. 2 G

RACHEL: No, Neither have I.

QUICK PAN R. to

72. 1 F

CJMS RACHEL, backs

of DAN and

MARGARET probably

in shot L. and R.

RACHEL: Sorry.... I don't know where that came from at all.... I can't think what it is, or why I played it.. Funny....

MARGARET: Something lodged in (Cont.)

(1 next)

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(On 4, shot 73)

74. 1 F

MS RACHEL.

She rises clowly

-PAN UP into 2/S-with EDMUND:

Risin. PAN UP into ys will came

PULL BACK quickly towards 1G, to include DAN L., MARGARET R.

(Set in Floater 3 ?)

EDMUND and RACHEL leave b/g R. RACHEL leaves f/g R. CENTRE on DAN. PULL BACK with him to MCU DAN at 1G.

75. 3 E

MS MARGARET as she sits on sofa f/g. EDMUND and RACHEL b/g R.

76. <u>1 G (crabbed R.)</u>
MCU DAN,
HOLDING him as he moves about.

(MARGARET. cont.): your memory from years ago.

RACHEL: I suppose so.

EDMUND: You must have played hundreds of pieces like that.
You could never remember them all.

RACHEL: Sorry to make such a fuss. For a moment I was quite frightened.

EDMUND: Frightened?

<u>DAN</u>: Deja vu.

/BOOM Z2/

MARGARET: What?

DAN: Deja vu, that's what it
was, that strange feeling of having
said or done something before; or
when you recognise a place you're
quite sure you've never been to.
It happens to everyone. Like when
a goose walks over your grave.

BOOM X27

MARGARET: You can't beat him can you. Always on hand with a superficial explanation.

DAN: No, it's true. The wires get crossed in the mental computer, and it comes up with the wrong answer.

(Cont.)

(On 1, shot '(G)

(DAM. cont.): Rachel's head, for instance, is full of music, but for a moment, her filingsystem's gone wrong.

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77. E

MS-HARGARET.

PULL BACK, PAN R. to include EDMUND and RACHEL (watch RACHEL's exit).

Oh do shut up dear MARGARET: man, or I shall begin to feel embarrassed.

RACHEL: Well, .... I'd better go and get the dinner out, if you'll excuse me. Pour some more sherry darling, and put the It's Almost dark. lights on.

/Lights on/

(RACHEL PUTS ON SOME OF THE LIGHTS.)

Sc. 10: DINING ROOM

(Chairs in)

78.

Wide LS across sofa top as RACHEL enters in b/g to sideboard, and comes up to table. She lights far (RACHEL LIGHTS CANDLES.) candles and comes to light near candle.

/BOOM Y2/

/BOOM X2/

/Back light from kitchen/

(3 to F 5 to B)

79. CU candle flame as she lights it. PAN UP to flame in CU.

(3 next)(Sc.11. Living Rm.) - 15 -

# Sc. 11: LIVING ROOM

/IB-H, 2H, 3F, 4F-G, 5B, X2-1, Z2

 $/\overline{BOOM}$  X2/

80. <u>3 F</u> Lew OU MARGARET

MARGARET: Well, I can't bear all this mystic rubbish, the Age of Aquarius and all that nonsense. It's just an easy way out for people who can't be bothered to think things through.

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84. <u>5 B</u>

<u>Low CU DAN.</u>

<u>DAN:</u> Darling, it's true, we still know very little about the mind. I mean, what really happened to Rachel then, at the clavichord?

82. <u>3 F. OU MARGARET a/b. Z</u>
(5 back to A)

MARGARET: She forgot the title of a piece of music.  $\frac{\overline{BOCM} \overline{Z2}}{\overline{BOCM} \overline{Z2}}$ 

83. 1 B

MS EDMUND at drinks.

PAN him R.,

CRABBING and PULLING BACK to 3/S at LH,

MARGARET/DAN/
EDMUND.

EDMUND: Then why did it frighten her?

HOLD 3/S, PULLING BACK on EDMUND coming to sit f/g R. DAN: Precisely. The mind absorbs facts through the senses, we know, but how does it evaluate them, and act on its evaluation?
What powers does it possess beyond the obvious ones? Thanks very much.

EDMUND: What do you mean, bowers of survival?

DAN: Possibly. There are countless stories, for instance, of people separated by thousands of miles, being aware of the death of someone close to them. If mind can be projected through space, why not through time? Haven't you ever stood on a battlefield of felt the presence of the dead?

MARGARET: That's just imagination.

You see a bleak field, and because
you happen to know a lot of men
died there, you people it with
ghosts. The mind colours the facts
to suit its own preconceptions.

EDMUND: It's more than that though, isn't it. The mind can have a definite physical effect, can even change the state of the body in certain circumstances.

MARGARET: But you're proving my point, not his! These are all rational explanations. They depend on cause and effect.

<u>DAN</u>: The point is that the reason alone can't be trusted. It can look at the facts, and because of its own preconceptions, it can come up with the wrong answer.

84. <u>2 H</u>
CU EDMUND in dair.

85. <u>3</u> F CU MARGARET.

86. <u>1 H</u>
CU DAN.

87. <u>2 H</u>
CU EDMUND.

(1 next)

EDMUND: Do you remember that dreadful party game, Nelson's Eye?
It always frightened me to death.

MARGARET: No, what was that?

EDMUND: Oh, it was a favourite at all the kids' parties I was ever invited to. I can't remember the details, / just the traumatic

88. <u>1 H</u> CU DAN.

the details, just the traumatic bit.

89. <u>2 H</u> CU EDMUND: <u>DAN</u>: On yes, I remember this...

EDMUND: You're blindfolded, and then you have to touch certain objects and guess what they are.

At the end they plunge your finger into a raw egg, and tell you you're poking it into Nelson's blind eye.

90. <u>3 F</u> OU MARGARET.

MARGARET: Ugh!

91. <u>2 H</u> QU EDMUND.

<u>ELMUND</u>: It still makes me shiver when I think of it.

92. 1 H
3/S HOLDING
DAN'S rise,
PUSHING IN to
medium 2/S
MARGARET/DAN.

 $\underline{DAN:}$  It's a perfect example of what  $I_{A}$  was saying. And I've just thought of an even better one. Sit still darling, and close your eyes.

(2 clear for Cam.4)

MARGARET: What? ... Oh, what are you up to now?

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DAN: Are they olded?

#### MARGARET: Yes...

93. 4 F
Wide shot
PUSHING IN as
DAN crosses L.
to drinks table.

DAN: Stuy there for a moment...

(DAN GOES TO DRINKS TABLE)

94. <u>3 F</u>
<u>CU-MARGARET.</u>

MARGARET: What is he doing?

95. 4 G
CU ice oubes in jug as he pioks one up.

PAN UP to his face as he looks at it.

PAN him R.

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EDMUND: I don't know.

MARGARET: You know the trouble with Dan? He got to the age of thirty, and then started going backwards. God help me when he's

fifteen.

/BOUM X to 1/

96. 3 F

PAN In end on MARG,
PULL BACK to
let DAN in for
tight 2/S.

PAN DAN up R, losing MARGARET, and RACHEL to edge of sofa. <u>DAN:</u> Eyes still olosed?

MARGARET: Yes. Dan - What are you don't DAN: Right. I Keep thom blosed. of the fame

And Edund, you say nothing. Just

watch.

MARGO: Dan!

97. <u>l. B (crabbed R.)</u>
MS profile
MARGARET.

EASE BACK to include DAN R. in tight 2/S.

-<u>MARGARET:</u> Dany what <u>ero</u> you deing?

 $\underline{\text{DAN}}$ : I have in my hand an open razor.

MARGARET: What?

(5 to B)

DAN: An old-fashioned cut-throat
razor. It's very, very sharp.

(On 1. shot 97)

Really, <del>you'd never</del> MARGARET: believe what some married people get up to.

Contembre Quiet! DAN:coming very close to you, and I'm with this open razor I'm going to cut open your cheek.

Oh, are you. Charming. MARGARET: Committed the Times of the Time The DAN: razer's wide open. It's so starp, I daren't even feel the edge. It would lay open my finger at the slightest teuch.

MARGARET: My husband is quite mad. DAN: , Still, conventrate! the most of the last few seconds before the pain. I'm very close The blade is about two inches from your cheek. Can you feel how near it is?

....Dan....What is this? MARCARET:

DAN: I told you. With this razor, I'm going to cut your cheek open. There!

B (crabbed R.) Fast PANNING 98. low BOU MARGARET.

PUSH IN for even closer 2/3.

> (HE DRAWS THE CORNER OF THE IGE CUBE DOWN HER CHEEK. MARGARET SCREAMS AND PUTS HER HANDS TO HER FACE.)

(3 next) (Sc.12: Kitchen)

#### Se. 12: KITCHEN

/S/B FX DISO/

<u>/36. X1</u>/

99.

MOU RACHEL.

/BOOM X17

#### Sc. 13: LIVING ROOM

# /IH, 2G. Z2, FY DISC/

100.

Looser 2/S MARGARET L, DAN on sofa. (DAN IS SHOWING HER THE ICE CUBE)

<u>DAN</u>: An ice cube, melting. No damage done.

Go Grams.

FX DISC: icw in fire.

(DAN THROWS CUBE IN FIRE.)

MARGARET: My God, that did frighten me.

DAN: Point proved I think.

 $\underline{\text{MARGARET:}}$  It was the coldness, and then the wetness on my cheek.

<u>DAN</u>: You can kill a man with a drop of water on the back of his nack, if you tell him it's a guillotine.

PAN DAN R., RISING and ELEVATING to new n/8 with EDMUND and R.UHEL.

RACHEL enters b/g to make it a 3/S.

RACHEL: (ENTERING)
What was that noise?

EDMUND: Don't worry darling. A little practical psychology from Dan.

MARGARET enters extreme f/g L. to create deep 4/S - MARGARET/ DAN/RACHEL/EDMUND.

 $\underline{\text{MARGARET}}$ : My husband frightening the life out of me. Quite normal.

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(On 1, shot 100)

DAN: (KISSING RACHEL ON THE CHEEK)
Party games durling. No need to
get alarmed.

RACHEL: ..Well, the dinner's ready now, so if you'd like to come

through....

101. 2 G (crabbed L.)

Wide low shot across clavichord as they exit L. in b/g.

(SHE LEADS THEM ALL INTO THE DINING ROOM,)

#### Sc. 14: DINING ROOM

(Swinger open, Sofa & chairs) 3G, 4H, 2B. Y2/

102. 4 H

Wide shot seeing sofa and whole table as they enter.

(THEY ENTER DINING ROOM)

DAN: Behold the feast!

(Clear 5 to C)

RACHEL: Carve please darling. Would you like to sit here

Margaret? And Dan, you here?

<u>/Q Spot on/</u>

(EDMUND MOVES TO THE WALL AND SWITCHES ON A SPOTLIGHT ANGLED TO SHIND DIRECTLY ONTO THE CARVING PLATE.)

103. 3 G Wide 2/S MARGARET/ DAN as they sit.

(MARGARET AND DAN SIT.)

MARGARET: Oh, you've gone much too far Rachel, you really have!

<u>DAN</u>: I warn you, I'm a terrible pig, I shan't leave any of this.

MARGARET: I've already made

your excuses.

104. 4 H
Wide shot, but
tighter than
before, GENTRING
on DAN.

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(EDMUND BEGINS TO CARVE)

<u>DAN:</u> My dear, have you noticed the carving light - neatly on the plate?

EDMUND: A little idea of the architects.

<u>DAN</u>: It's the little things that count you see, that's real style!

EDMUND: You're beginning to embarrass me. ,

Wideshot centring on DAN.

105. 3 C

OU-spotlight

pan unto Spet

PAN DOWN to

(Cam.4 move back fast for Cam.2 to move to B)

106. <u>2</u>

MS DAN

EAST FACK to
wide shot of
group at table.

<u>DAN:</u> "You can't be a Socialist with a spotlight over your carving plate lad!"

(THEY ALL LAUGH.)

RACHEL: No, really, we shouldn't laugh.

MARGARET: What's he doing for Christmas, the old man?

RACHEL: He's gone to Auntie Laura's.

EDMUND: We did ask him here, but...

RACHEL: The fact is, he'll be much better off there, he'll enjoy himself much more.

<u>DAN</u>: Good God, I've forgotten the wine!

EDMUND: What wine?

107. <u>3</u>\_\_

3 G CU DAN.

PAN him as he rises and moves. L. to RACHEL.

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On 3, shot 107)

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RACHEL: We've got a couple of bottles of Burgindy aver there.... The my larting-No my doing this is a very DAN: special bottle of line, brought down to crown the celebration. I got it from a little place I know ....

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108. Wide shot group a/b.

MARGARET: Go and get it dear, and shut up.

DAN moves out of the door.

DAN: I left it in the other room, to settle term of the legioner (HE GOES INTO LIVING ROOM.)

Dan is a wine bore. MARGARET: Think yourself lucky we haven't act the whole deconging bit.

# Sc. 15: LIVING ROOM

B (orabbed L.)
CU wine bottle 109. on the floor.

> PAN UP to DAN as he appreciates it.

PAN him R, but HOLD on clock in b/g, letting him go, and ZOOM IN on clock face.

#### Sc. 16: DINING ROOM

/2B, 4B-J. (DAN RE-ENTERS THE DINING ROOM)

/BOOM Y27

/BOOM Z2/

(PICKS ONE UP.) DAN: Corkscrew?

111. Group shot.

RACHEL: Now, does everyone

eat everything.

(4 next)

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(On 2, shot 111)

MARGARET: You can work on that Frinciple I think.

(RACHEL INDICATES USHES)

then, sprouts, potatoes, breadsauce, cranberry jelly.

Don't worry darling, MARGARET: we'll manage.

(DAN IS TAKING SEAL OF BOTTLE)

DAN: Now, let's see about this... (DAN BEGINS TO INSERT CORKSCREW)

MARGARET: Suddenly, I'm very

hangry....

(TO EDMUND, STILL CARVING) RACHEL: How are you doing darling?

EDMUND: Not too badly.

/Spot out/

(SUDDENLY THE SPOTLIGHT AND KITCHEN LIGHTS GO OUT, DEAVING THEM IN DARKNESS EXCEPT FOR THE LIGHT OF THE FIRE AND THE CANDLES.)

Ch. MARGAREI:

DAN: Λh.

On spotlight out.

Oh no! EDMUND:

The bulb must pare

MARGARET:

e<del>gone</del> -

RACHEL: No, it's the kitchen

as well.

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(On 2, shot 113)

EDMUND: Oh Hell!

DAN: How about that for time?

EDMUND: Must be a fuse. (RISES)
Sorry everybody

MARGARET: Don't fret dear man.

No harm done. It's rather nice by candlelight.

<u>DAN</u>: It's that little carving light you see. It's his special toy.

EDMUND: I won't be a minute.

(COES TO SIDEBOARD FOR MATCHES.)

DAN: My dear fellow, we'll all wait for you. If it won't spoil?

<u>RACHEL</u>: It should survive a few minutes.

114. <u>4 J</u> MCU DAN.

(EDMUND EXITS IN BACKGROUND.)  $\underline{DAN}: \bigcup_{A} And I shall save you the first glass of wine.$ 

#### Sc. 17: KITCHEN

(1J, 3H, 5C. X1, F.R.1(n)/

(EDMUND ENTERS KITCHEN, STRIKES MATCH. HE OPENS A CUPBOARD CONTAINING THE ELECTRICAL WORKS.)

Low wide LS as

EDMUND looks

briefly into

the kitchen.

/BOOM\_X1/

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(On 5, abob 115)

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<u>ng pantan Iv</u> Ii /F/R. 1(5)7

cupboard,

technology and back to EDMUND as directed. EDWAND: (LORTORITA)

Oh, Christ!

(Clear 5 to allow 1 fist to J)

117.

LS across cooker unit.
PAN EDMUND L. to cupboards in CUf/g L.

(EDMUND GOES TO OTHER CUPBOARDS, THEN COOKER AND WASHING MACHINE.)

PAN and ORAB R. with him to cooker, PANNING DOWN to hand as directed.

PAN him L. and PUSH IN to washing machine and ending on MAN clock as he leaves R.

EDMUND: Oh no, this is too much!

(EDMUND LEAVES KITCHEN)

Sc. 18: DINING ROOM

/3J, 4H, Y2/

(EDMUND RE-ENTERS DINLING ROOM)

118, 4 H

Group shot m/b, as EDMUND re-enters. /BOOM Y27

<u>DAN</u>: Don't worry, I've taken over, and I'm carving quite beautifully, even without the benefit of a specially angled spotlight.

RACHEL: Is everything alright?

EDMUND: No, it isn't.

119. <u>3</u> J MCU EDMUND. / <u>kachel</u>:

What's wrong?

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(On 3, shot 119)

EDMUND: It looks like We've got

EDMUND: Just a minut while I

PAN EDMUND L. ond down onto BOU RACHEL.

check the other room.

(EDMUND LEAVES ROOM.)

MARGARET Oh ....

Se. 19: LIVING ROOM

(EDMUND ENTERS LIVING ROOK.)

/2H-F. Z2/

120.  $\frac{2}{W/S}$  sofa and table.

/BOOM 22/

PAN EDMUND L. along goir, seeing him try switches.

(HE TRIES SVITCHES.)

ORAB BACK and L. to 2F PULLED BACK with him, PANNING DOWN onto phone on desk L.

EDMUND: That bloody electrician!

PAN swiftly UP to face and PAN him R. as he leaves room.

(EDMUND LEAVES LIVING ROOM.)

#### Sc. 20; DINING ROOM

# /4H, 1K, 2B, 3G. Y2/

121. <u>4 H</u> LS group.

/BOOM Y27

RACHEL: What is it durling,

122. <u>3 G</u>
Close 2/S,
RACHEL f/g L.,
EDMUND R.

what's wrong?

EDMUND: Just about bloody

everything. It's not the fuses.

As far as I can see, we've lost

all electric power throughout the

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(On 3, shot 122.)

(EDMUND, cont.): house. No call. Light, pre heating, cookers.

nore roo, Criparis .

'phone!

RACHEL: (BEGINNING TO BE RATHER

UPSET.) Oh God.

Thereis

MARGARET: No need to panic.
You've all forgotten the obvious solution.

DAN: And what's that?

MARGARET: This is England,

remember? What always happens, every year, as soon as it snows, or one or two people put their cookers and heaters on at once?

DAN: A power cut!

MARCARET: Correct, a power cut.
Either that, or the government
has decided to teach the miners
another lesson. What better
time to do it than Christmas.

RACHEL: Oh, I do hope you're right.

MARGARET: Of course I'm right.

A lead
There'll be a big inquest in the

papers, and they'll all go on
how our democracy is at stake

(Cont.)

124. <u>1 K</u> GU MARGARET.

125. <u>3 G</u> CU DAW

126. <u>1 K</u> CU HARGARET

127. 4 H Group shot a/b. (On 4, shot 127)

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(MARGARET, cont.): and revolution is round the corner, and then forget about it three weeks

128. <u>3 G</u> CU EDMUND.

EDMUND: No. it can't be a power cut.

(Com.4 move L. to let 2 in)

RACHEL: Why not?

EDMUND: The 'phone's gone too.

That's nothing to do with the

power.

129: <u>2 B</u> Group shot:

130. <u>4 4 (crabbed L. to</u> allow for 2B) CU RACHED

131. <u>1 K</u>
<u>CU MARGARET.</u>

132.  $\frac{2}{\text{Group shot } \sqrt{b}}$ 

(Olear small sereen.)

(Clear Cam.3 to H)

(Clear Cam.4 to B)

MARGARET: Oh well, don't worry darling, it doesn't matter.

<u>RACHEL</u>: I haven't finished the pudding, or the coffee....

MARGARET: We've got enough food here to last a month.

EDMUND: You wait till I see that bloody electrician. Six months it's been done, that's all, and you can imagine how much it cost me!

<u>DAN:</u> Well, it's probably something very simple, some little join or lead or something....

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(0n 2, shot 132)

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MARGARET: You will gather from that remark that my husband is no electrical genius.

RACHEL: Darling, if the heating's gone as well....

(SITTING DOWN.)

MARGARET: The fire will keep us wirm Rachel, don't ponic.

EDMUND: I'm very sorry. I'm afraid this has spoiled everything.

MARGARET: Not-at-all. Ve'va been dead lucky actually. The dinner's cooked to perfection.

DAN: And there's gollons of wine and brandy and stuff, so we won't miss the coffee.

EDMUND: It's very kind of you to say so, but ...

MARGARET: Let's forget all about minor inconveniences, and eat this

fabulous meal.

<u>DASI</u> (Meal hoac.

<u>RACHEL</u>: I shall propose you as the perfect guests.

MARGARET: Well, we've all been hostesses in our time, haven't we.

EDMUND: I think I'll get some candles out.

RACHEL: Don't let your dinner spoil. - 31 -

EASE L. to HOLD 2/S as EDMUND SITS

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(Still on 2, shot 132)

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EDMUND: It won't take a minuta. Ild rother pet it done now before we all start falling

over <del>otter</del>

Cons and sive you a hand I'll thelp you. I hadies, finish serving.

#### Sc. 21: KITCHEN

# 3H; F.R.1(A), X1/

133. 2/S EDMUND/DAN in cupboard.

DAN:You know, Ed, the Marxists go on about how society determines بريل طريع. consciousness but <del>they re quit</del>e

/F.R.1(A)/

wrong. Technology determines consciousness in the ser daip.

2/S as they come

PAN them L. to closer 2/S at work surfaces as they place candles down.

from cupboard to kitchen.

FDMUND: Hold these will you. Fast year flugaret of g DAN: During the strike Ast year we spent whole evenings r I'm sine novels aloud to each other. If we had a piano I<del>lm sure</del> we would have sung duets.

#### So. 22: DINING ROOM

# /2B, 4B. Y2/

135. Close 2/S MARGARET/RACHEL.

/BOOM Y2/ Ven Miero MARGARET: Any moment now I shall begin to get the giggles.

(Cam. 1 to B)

\*We'd planned it all to RACHEL:

be so splendid.

(EDMUND & DAN ENTER ROOM.)

Wide shot as MEN enter.

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(On 2, and 130)

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MARGARET: The sight of Dan trying to be helpful is Almost more than I can bear.

RACHEL: I suppose we could make coffee in a saucepan on the fire?

MARGARET: I wouldn't thust him with a candle. He'll burn the

Wide Shot as

<u>DAN</u>: Give me a cross and a censer and I'm ready for anything.

house down.

EDMUND: Put your three in the sitting room Don, will you, and I'll take these two upstairs.

(LEAVES ROOM.)

# Se. 22(a): LIVING ROOM

/5B7

137. 5 B (crabbed R.)

PAN DAN towards
fire as EDMUND
goes upstairs
in b/g.

#### Sc. 23: DINING ROOM

#### /2B, 4D. Y2/

138. 2 B

Medium 2/S

MARGARET back L.

by sideboard,

RACHEL f/g R. at
table.

MARGARET crosses

R. out of shot.

RACHEL: Do you know anyone who wants a beautiful cottage, all mod con, except that none of it works?

139. 4 D

CU MARGARET
lighting fag
from candle
flame.

MARGARET: This is becoming a very moral tale. See how our

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(Cont.)

(On 4, shot 139.)

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(MARGARET, cont.): civilisation hangs by a thread! Throw a few switches, and we're back in the Dark Ages.

#### Sc. 24: LIVING ROOM

/1B-I7

140. 1 B

LS DAN as he places one canale either side of gramophone.

PULL BACK, CRABBING L. with him, to 1L, PANNING DOWN to flame as he moves R.

RECORDING PAUSE: 3:/ EDMUND to get to Small Bedroom.

CLOSE SWINGER 1, SET-IN SCREEN.

#### Sc. 25: SMALL BEDROOM

#### /2J-E,1M. 24/

141. <u>2 J</u>
<u>MS EDMUND.</u>

/BOOM Z4/ (EDMUND ARRIVES AT STATRHEAD TO PLACE CANDLES ON LEDGE)

PAN him R. up stairs, pulling BACK to 2E to see him place candle on window ledge.

PAN him L. back to door, to 2J.

MOU reaction as he pauses at door.

EASE BACK as he places condle on leage and leaves shot L.
CENTRE on flame.

(Pause next, then 1) (Sc. 26: Living Room)

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(EDMUND PAUSES AT DOOR, PUTS SECOND CANDLE ON LEDGE NEAR STAIRHEAD.) (On 1. shot 142)

/RECORDING PAUSE: 4./ EDHUND to get to living room.

CAM. I to N.

Sc. 26: LIVING ROOM

/1N7

143.  $\frac{1-N}{2/S} \frac{DAN/EDMUND.}{}$ 

HOLD 2/S.

<u>DAN:</u> (POINTING TO CANDLES)

EDMUND: Dan, I don't make dand it.

What — DAN: What's that?

EDMUND: If it were a power cut,

the 'phone would be working.

But its isnet. It's not conceivable that the 'phone and the electricity should have broken down simultaneously, surely?

<u>DAN</u>: In England, at Christmas, anything is possible.

EDMUND: I don't understand what it could be that could ffect both.

DAN: Well, for instance, a large pylon could have fallen on a telegraph pole. You lack come and late imagination Edmund, that's your

-trouble. Now, let's eat.

(THEY GO INTO DINING ROOM.)

Sc. 27: DINING ROOM (1K, 2K, 3B, 4B-D. Y2, Z4/

144. 2 K Wide shot two men entering.

(DAN & EDMUND ENTER ROOM.)

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(On 1, shot 142)

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RECORDING PAUSE: 4. EDHUND to get to living room.

CAM. I to N.

Sc. 26: LIVING ROOM

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143. <u>1 N</u> 2/S DAN/EOMUND,

HOLD 2/S.

<u>DAM</u>: (POINTING TO CANDLES)

Nice Fire's Mice.

EDMUND: Dan, I don't hear and it.

DAN: !/hat's that?

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(THEY GO INTO DINING ROOM.)

Sc. 27: DINING ROOM
(1K, 2K, 3B, 4B-D. Y2, Z4/

144. <u>2 K</u>
Wide shot two
men entering.

(DAN & EDMUND ENTER ROOM.)

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(MARGARET AND RACHEL ARE JUST FINISHING SERVING THE FOUR DINNERS.)

Is everything alright •RACHED: -

·Ed?----

we EDMUND: Well, you can see to

go up the stairs now at least.

D August weall Alright Everybody, now

trate on enjoying ourselves.

let's forget art the little contretemps, shall we, and concen-

MARGARET: I second that. Calm down Rachel, all is well.

RACHEL: Sorry.

DAN: And we'll start the ball

rolling with this bottle of wine...

PACS HOME CHARTER ORK AND

SMELLS THE POUQUET.)

Very, very nice. "ry Mmmmmm.

that for size Edmund.

(HE POURS A LARGE GLASS AND GIVES IT TO EDMUND.)

EDMUND: Well, cheers everybody.

(EDMUND TAKES A LARGE MOUTHFUL. SUDDENLY, HE GOES PALE, CHOKES AND SPITS THE VINE ALL OVER THE TABLE.)

MARGARET: Oh....

RACHEL: Whatever...?

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145.

Medium shot DAN, EASING to wide 2/S including EDMUND f/g R.

146.

3 B CU EDMUND.

147.

Group shot, w Kachel

3 B CU EDMUND. 148.

He lunges forward.

149,	ahot 148) 2' ₩	<u>DAN</u> : I say!
±+75	2 K Group shot. OU Rachel	- <del></del>
	CO RACHEL.	RACHEL: Oh darling, look what
150.	4 B OU DAN.	you've done to the table!
		the wrong hole.
151.	3 B CU EDMUND.	
		EDMUND: (STILL CHOKING & SHUDDERING
		No Ugh
		MARGARET: What's the matter?
152.	2 - К	EDMUND: It's not winc
	2 K OU RACHEL.	
153.	1 = Y	
193.	<u>U HARGARET.</u>	
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154,	4 B CU DAN.	. DAN. hat do you mean, it's not
155.	3. B CU EDMUND.	wire, of course it is.
		<u>EDMUNTO</u> :
156.	2 K Reaction shot	It's blood. 
	group.	
157.	A B	
	4 B GU DAN.	<u>DAN</u> :
158.	B CU EDMUND.	What?
	OU EDMUND:	<u>.Marg.</u> What; EDMUND: It's blood.
159.	2 K OU RACHEL.	It is, it's blood.
		RACHEL: (QUIETLY) Don't
160.	3 B OU EDMUND.	by silly.
		EDMUND: (SHOUTING) - It-io,

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Herbert Ministration (Liver of Constraints) and Strain Strain (). (On 3, shot 160) .. 33 -(EDMUND, cont.): At's blood, taste it! 161. <u>K</u> Wide shot group. RACHEL: I'll got coloth. 162. MCU DAN as (RACHEL GOES INTO KITCHEM, DAN POURS BRIMMING GLASS OF WINE, SAVOULS THE BUNGUEL, AND DELIKE A LONG MOUTHPUL.) he power wine. 163: Reaction CU EDMUND. 1.64. MCU DAN. 165. Reaction MARGARET. 3 B Resetica OU : 166. L'DMUND. 4 B MOU DAN: 167. DAN: (QUIETLY) It's Burgundy. Yery good Burgundy. 168. Reaction OJ EDMUND. (DAN POURS INTO GLASS FOR MARG.) 4 B MOV DAN 169. DAN: Taste it. 170. K Wide shot group. (MARGARET TASTES WINE.) 171. K CU MARGAREM 1.72. Reaction CU EDMUND.

173. <u>1 K</u> OU MARGARET.

MARGARET: Burgundy. Beautiful.

174. <u>2 K</u> Wide shot group.

(RACHET: COMES TO WITE EDMUND.)

175. <u>4 B</u>
Wide 2/S, DAM/
EDMUND.

EDMUND: | I don't understand.

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PAN glass back to EDMUND, FOR ΟÚ.

176. <u>K</u> OU RACHEL.

3 B CU EDMUND. 177.

3.78. CU RACHEL.

¥79. Έ Tight CU MARCARET/RACHEL. ZOOM IN to OU RACHE: as she drinks. 🥆

180. CU MARAARE recetion, GMUND

181. Resction OU MARCA EDMUND.

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(4 next - at once)

DAN: Taste mine. Really, I'm not joking. Here.

> (EDMUND TAKES THE GLASS IND SMELLS IT;)

EDMUND: I must be going mad. It umells ... just the same.

DAN: Look.

(DAN DRINKS ANOTHER MOUTHFUL.) المن المنظم <u>DAN:</u> Thatis not blood, is it.

(EDMUND SIPS IT AND SHUDDERS.)

EDMUND: Ugh ... . It is. To me it is. Sally, a bit sticky. I mean it.

RACHEL: Stop it Ed. stop it!

EDMUND: What do you mean?

RACHEL: Whatever sort of game you're playing! Stop it!

EDMUND: Rachel, it isn't a game! To me, it/s....

RACHEL (SHOUTING): It's wine. obviously it's wine, look!

(SHE TAKES MARGARET'S GLASS AND DRINKS FROM IT.)

RACHEL: (VERY QUIETLY) It's wine.

(3 before, shot 181)

182. DAN: A Never mind my dear fellow. Z/S-DAN/EDMUND CUDAN I won't insult you by bringing my

own wine next time./

EDMUND: I'm not joking you know I believe you when you say

183. it's wine./ But to we.... it

isn't possible, is it.

B CU EDMUND.

185.

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CU MARGARET.

K OU RACHEL.

MARGARET: Let's eat our dinner.

Quietly, and privately, shall wo? Wine or no wine. Before it

finally gets cold.

186. 2 K Wide shot group.

DAN: Yes. That's agood idea.

3 B Wide shot whole group, PANNING L. to 187. losc EDMUND and MARGARET, to 2/S RACHEL/DAN.

> ZOOM GRADUALLY IN to CU DAN.

(THEY PEGIN TO EAT IN SILENCE, TENTATIVE MOUTHFULS ETC.
DAN POURS GLASS OF WATER, MARGARET APPEARS TO BE IN PAIN, DAN DRINKS, MARGARET POURS WATER, EDMUND PUTS MEAT DELIBERATELY INTO MOUTH, MARGARET DRINKS, RACHEL IS IN PAIN, DAN GROANS.)

188. Reaction CV RACHEL.

3 J. CU EDMUND lifting 189, meat to his lipe.

190. B MS DAN pouring water.

(1 next - at once)

(4 before, shot 190)

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191. <u>L. K. CU MARGARET</u> watching Dan, in pain.

- 192. <u>4 B</u> CU DAN drinking.
- 193. 2 K

  Group shot as

  MARGARET pours

  water. 2/5 Hay/Raild
- 194. 3 B

  OU EDMUND putting food in mouth.
- 195. <u>1 K</u> MARGARET drinks.
- 196. <u>2 K</u> <u>GU RACHEL,</u> painful.
- 197. 4 B

  DAN, painful.

  He groans.

  O hacket

DAN: Ugh!

ment too....

198. 2 K

Group shot
215 rug/Rachel

RACHEL: On God...

curried Turkey ....?

199. 4 B CU DAN.

DAN: (IN PAIN) What is it darling,

200. <u>3 B</u> <u>GU EDMUND.</u>

EDMUND: (QUIETLY) It's the

201. <u>l K</u>
OU MARGARET.

MARGARET: What's the recipe

darling, chillies and pepper seeds?...

202. <u>4 B</u> CU DAN:

 $\underline{\mathtt{DAN}}$ : It's a joke, that's what it

is... The big joke Christmas.

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(On 2, shot 203)

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204. <u>! B</u>

PAN DAN to soft to collapse.

205. <u>2 K (low as poss.)</u>

MARGARET

on floor.

206. <u>3 B</u> CÜ EDMUND.

207: 4 B WG EDMUND AS he reaches for water.

208. 2 K (looking down on DAN)
CU DAN on sofa.

209. <u>3 B (pushed in)</u>

Low MS EDMUND along table.

210. 4 B (pulled back near to 2)

CU MARGARET still half on the floor.

PAN her as she crawls up onto table, then PAN her R. to EDMUND sprawled across it.

-211. 2 K MQU DAN on sofa.

PAN him onto floor towards table.

212. # (B (table level)
EDMUND on table
in f/g, DAN's
arm crowls up
table as he
heaves himself up
on table, knocking
over jug.

(2 next - at once)

RACHEL: There isn't any joke...
I cooked it the normal way...
and it tastes like....fire.

(DAN GOES TO SOFA AND ROLLS IN AGONY. MARGARET BENDS DOUBLE AND FALLS TO HER KNEES.)

MARGARET: My God, I think you've poisoned us....

EDMUND: What's happening?
What's happening here...?

(HE REACHES FOR WATER.)

 $\underline{D}\underline{N}$ : Oh God, it's burning me...!

ELMUND: (LEANING ON THE TABLE)

Drink the water, lots of water...

/BOOM Y2/

MARGARET: It's like flames...

/BOOM 24/

/BOOM Y2/

(On 4 hefore, shot 212)

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213. 2 K (pushed in)

Table level,

MARGARET sprawled

f/g L., RACHEL

b/g.

DAN and EMMUND

sprawled on table

R.

/BOOM Z47

ZOOM IN above bodies to RACHEL.

RACHEL: I can't bear it, I can't

bear it any more....

214. 4 D (pulled back).

W/S MARGARET f/g

DS RACHEL rises

and runs through

door upstairs.

(RACHEL RISES AND LUNS OUT OF ROOM, UPSTAIRS.)

/RECORDING LAUSE: 5.7 - for editing in Stairs Sc. 28, recorded at end.

RACHEL to Small Bedroom.

Sc. 28: STAIRS (Recorded at end)

361. Rachel enters R., runs up stairs and exits R.

Sc. 29: SMALE BEDROOM

/IM, 2J. Z4, MUSIC TAPE Q.3/

215. 2 J

RACHEL enters L.

PAN her R. with condle to door.

216.

PAN her R. with condle to door.

M

CU hand on door
handle. \( \overline{GO} \overline{TAPE} \)

PAN UP to CU

PAN UP to CU
RACHEL'S face as
clavichord begins.

MUSIC TAPE Q.3: Clavichord. (16")

/BOOM Z4/

(4 next - Sc. 30: Dining Room) - 43 -

(On 1, shot 216)

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## Sc. 30: DINING ROOM $4B \cdot Y27$

217. 4 B

MCU EDMUND

Lying flat on

/BOOM Y2/

lying flat on table.
He lifts himself up.
PAN L. to see
DAN sitting on chair, and

DAN: Oh... That's better ...

DAN sitting on chair, and further L. to see MARGARET in CU lying on table.

MARCARET: Oh....thank God....

It's going off....

# Sc.+31: SMALL BEDROOM /ZD. Z47

218. 2 5 CU RACHEL's face.

/BOOM z4/

/BOOM X3/

PAN DOWN to door handle as she turns it and goes in.

(RACHEL TIGHTENS HAND ON DOORHANDLE, OPENS DOOR AND GOES IN.)

# Sc. 32: MAIN BEDROOM 20, 21, 5A. X37

no....

219. 5 A

Low VLS RACHEL

with candle

entering and

doming towards

Cam.

(RACHEL ENTERS AND LOOKS ROUND ROOM. SUDDENLY SHE STOPS IN HORROR, SCREVING UP HER EYES TO SEE BETTER.)

220. <u>2 L</u> BCU RACHEL

PACHEL (VERY QUIETLY) On no...

221. 1 0

Low shot from foot of bed - full- length skeleton.

VERY FAST ZOOM IN to skull.

222. <u>2</u> <u>L</u> BCU RACHEL

She screms.

(RACHEL SCREAMS)

(4 next - Sc. 3: Dining Room)

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(On 2, shot 222.)

### Sc. 33: DINING ROOM

/4D. Y27

**2**23. <u>4</u>

4 D (pulled back) OU EDMUND.

EDMUND:

<u>/BOOM Y</u> That's Rachel....

with

PAN him L. with MARGARET and DAN FOLLOWING to door and up stairs.

RECORPING PAUSE: 6.

6.7 - for editing in Stairs Sc. 34, recorded at end.

MARGARET, DAN & EDMUND to Small Bedroom.

Sc. 34: STAIRS (recorded at und)

362.

3/S enter R, exit R. - Margaret/Dan/Edmund.

Sc. 35: SMALL BEDROOM

∕1M, 2J-E. Z47

224. <u>2</u> J

PAN EDMUND R. to 2/S with RACHEL, PULLING BACK to 2E., MARGARET and DAN arrive in b/g.

/BOOM Z47

(RACHEL IS SITTING AGAINST THE WALL AT TOP OF STAIRS WITH CANDLE. EDMUND LEAPS UP STAIRS AND CROUCHES BESIDE HER.)

EDMUND: Chat is it clarting?

225: 1 M

3/S as EDMUND rises to DAN and MARGARET.

DAN and EDMUND go into room. MARGARET crouches by RACKEL.  $\underline{RACHEL}_{:}$ : In there. On the bed...

(EDMUND RISES.)

EDMUND: Something on the bed.

Something on the bed.

Sc. 36: MAIN BEDROOM  $\frac{3\overline{K} \cdot 5\overline{h} \cdot \overline{X}}{3\overline{X}}$ 

226. - 5

Low LS DAN and EDMUND as they enter bedroom.

(DAN AND EDMUND ENTER ROOM.)

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<sup>(</sup>(On 5, shot 226)

227.

3 K 2/8 EDMUND coming to L. f/g.

EDMUND: Nothing. Can you see

anything?

DAN R. comes to join him.

DAN:

No. Just the bed.

PAN them R. out of room, and down onto empty bed.

## Sc 37: SMALL BEDROOM

(IM, 2E. Z4/

228.

2/S MARGARET crouching by RACHEL.

/BOOM Z4/

Just

EDMUND crouches and DAN lingers in b/g to make 4/S.

EDMUND: Darling, there's nothing on the bed. What did you see?

RACHEL: Nothing?

EDMUND: Nothing at all. the bedspread. What did you see?

229. L M (crabbed R.) GU RACHETA

> RACHEL: A dead child. I saw the skeleton of a dead child.

230.

Well, Golldvo me, there's EDMUND: nothing there now. Do you want to look?

RACHEL: No.

Then let's go downstairs,

-ohall-we? hum? ON THEIR RISE:

M (thro! bennisters)
PAN them E. and
downstairs, and 231. past Cam.L.

/RECORDING PAUSE: 7.7 - for editing in Stairs Sc. 38.
DAN, MARGARET, EDMUND, RACHER to Diving Room.

Sc. 38: STAIRS (recorded at end)

363. 4/S they enter R., come downstairs, and exit R.

### Sc. 39: LIVING ROOM

/IH, 2F-M-H-M, 3F, 4F-J-K. Y2, Z2/

232. 4 J
W/S from dining
room as they
coming downstairs
into Living Room.

BOOM Y2/

(THEY SLOWLY MAKE THEIR WAY DOWN STAIRS INTO LIVING ROOM. THEY SIT DOWN. SILENCE. THEY ALL LOOK AT EACH OTHER.)

233. <u>2 F (pulled back)</u>
VLS group as they sit down.

/BOOM X2/

234. <u>1 H</u>
<u>2/S DAN 10/</u>
MARGARET as
DAN sits.

/BOOM 727

PAN R. to RACHEL

EDMUND: What's going on Dan?

PULL BAOK to 4/S - DAN/ MARGARET/RACHEL/ EDMUND.

<u>DAN:</u> Something very strange. I feel quite alright now.

MARGARET: So do I... but not Vey hungry any more.

EDMUND: No trace of the pain?

<u>DAN</u>: No. None.

235. <u>3 P</u>
CU DAN.

MARGARET: No.

(On 3	, shot 235.)	48 —
236.	<u>2 M.                                    </u>	<u>DAN:</u> What about Rachel? Did you feel it? <u>RACHEL:</u> Yes. A terrible sort
237.	3 F  OU MARGARET  QUICK PAN L. to DAN.	of hot griping pain in the stomach  MARGARET: But With me it went, quite suddenly.  DAN: Yes. But none of us tasted blood, except Edmund.
238.	OUICK PAN R. to MARGARET. 2 M OU RAOHEL.	MARGAMET: No.
239.	1 H (pulled back) Group 4/S SE EDMUND sits on f/g chair.	RACHEL: No. Still EDMUND: I can, hirdly believe it. mysolf.
		<u>DAN:</u> And then, this upstairs. <u>RACHEL</u> : I definitely saw it.  I didn't imagine it. I looked
240.	2 M OU RAGHEL.	for quite a long time, to make  Le Spelletan deletan, whene  the or four feet long, with  hits of elething as
241.	3. P UU DAN.	bits of clothing, lying on the bedsprend. I promise you, I really did see it.  DAN: No-one has suggested you didn't, Equally, none of us saw

it.

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MARGARET: But we've all felt

(Cont.)

or seen something. Edmund,

PAN R. to MARGARET.

(On 3, shot 241)

243.

244.

245.

246.

242. <u>2 H</u>
<u>CU EDMUND</u>.

3 F CU DAN.

2 H. UU EDMUND.

PAN L. to DAN.

(MARCARET, cont'd.): the blood, the rest of us the food and the pain that just disappeared, and now Machel, this....

EDMUND: And all of us the house.

DAN: What do you mean?

EDMUND: We've all experienced that, the failure of all the machinery in the house.

 $\overline{ ext{DAN}}$ : But that's perfectly straightforward simple mechanics.

EDMUND:

Is it?

MARGARET: What are you implying, that the whole thing, the power failure included, is some kind of mass hallocination?

2 H HOLD GU EDMUND.

EDMUND: Can you suggest anything better?

DAN: A En that base, we're still in the grip of it. The clocks are still dead, and so are the lights. If it's mass hysteria, something our four minds are creating between us, we're still under its spell.

EDMUND: Nothing kas been right since the lights went out.

247. <u>1 H</u>
Group shot.

-- 50 --(On 1, shot 247) W Rachel Before that. RACHEL: The a Hayaret music. MARCARET: So what shall we do There must be some kind of rational explanation. Group shot RACHEL: I don't need any explanation, I just want it to stop. If it is a form of mass DAN: hysteria.... 248. How can it be, look, EDMUND: we're four same and mature people. we know what we're saying and doing... 249. MARGARET: Do we though? We think all the lights have But maybe they're on all the time, maybe they re blazing away across the fields for miles. you tasted blood, and Rachel saw a dead child on the bed, that's just as possible. Our perceptions tell SLOW ZOOM In us that we're same and balenced, to CU MARGARET. and that those are the facts. But perhaps that's the prime constituent of our hysteria. 2 H GU EDMUND. 250. EDMUND: So that we've lost all

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distinction, you mean, between

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On 2, shot 250) (EDMUND; cont'd,) what's really happening, and what's imagination. 251: CU MARGARET. How else can you MARGARET: explain what's happened in the last fifteen minutes? These delusions have come from somewhere. If not from our own minds, where? 252. (SHE GETS UP.) MARGARET rises. DAN: Listen, if what you say INTO CU of DAN is true, then what we need to do as he looks round end of to re-assert reality, ordinary sofa.daily reality, where wine is wine,/ 253. W/S as MARGARET arrives and all the machines work, is to at drinks table. get out/of here. and if necessary, 254. OU DAN on it is that's sofa. break whatever/mentally separate: e<del>hnin i</del>e binding 😘 (eşctliz AS HE RISES: the four of us together./--So 255. PAN DAN R, to 2/S DAN f/g R., RACHEL b/g L. I suggest we go out, get into our cars, and drive away to in chair. some nice, crowded, uncomplicated hotel, where there's dincing, and dancing and they're all playing silly and innocent Christmas games. So that we dissipate whatever it is that's been <del>Herangia</del> EDMUND rises percentions here. into 3/S -EDMUND/RACHEL/DAN. Yes. I think that's EDMUND: a good idea. 256. MS GU profile MARG. at window.

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(On 2, shot 256)

257.

MARGARET: Dan.

Yes. DAN:

There's no such thing MARGARET: as absolute darkness, is there? It's never absolutely dark?

H CU DAN.

N CU MWRGARET. 258.

I don't think so. Why?  $D\Lambda N$ : I can't see anything.

MARGARET: / I can't see any dark shapes where the hedges and trees are, or even the grass under the window. I can't see anything at

259. K W/S, PANNING

ÉDMÚND and DAN L. and TRACKING IN to PAN L. to 3/S. at 4F - DAN/ EDMUND/MARGARET.

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DAN: Let me sec ....

al.1.

EDMUND: There's light coming from this room, from the candles and the fire. It weight to shine on the path.

MARGARET: There's nothing. It's likė a black curtain.

260. PAN EDMUND and DAN to front door.

EDMUND: Dan, Give me a hand, Dan will you?

Sc. 40: BACK DOOR

/3L. Y4/

261.

QU door handle as EDMUND shakes

DAM: H Won't budge.

EDMUND: Shoulder it, with me.

EASE BACK to 2/ &

an 2/S all directed.

(THEY BOTH SHOULDER-CHARGE THE DOOR. NOT A MOVEMENT.)

/BOOM Y47

EDMUND: It's not going to

open, is it.

 $\underline{\text{DAN:}}$  No, it's not.

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On 3, shot 261)

#### Sc. 41: LIVING ROOM

### /1B, 2H. Z2, ?F.R.2/

262.

PAN MARGARET

(MARGARET GOES TO WINDOW.)

R. to floater window to see R. profile in OV.

MARGARET: This window's the same,  $\lambda$  like the bottom

2 H (pulled back)
MS RACHEL as 263. she rises from ohair and

of the sea.

/BOOM Z2/

crosses to sofa,

EASING IN to CU.

(RACHEL GETS UP, TO SOFA.)

RACHEL: We're caught in here.

I know jt., Something has got us

trapped.

#### Sc. 42: BACK DOOR

/3D. Y47

264.

<u>I</u> 2/s EDMUND/DÄN.

Dan, look at the EDMUND: look at the I'll try the upstairs windows. front door.

0.K. DAN:

Sc. 43: LIVING ROOM

265.

B W/S as EDMUND and DAN come from door, DAN going up stairs.

PAN EDMUND R. to front door past MARGARET R. f/g, to kitchen. as MARCARET sits down.

/BOOM Z2/

/RECORDING PAUSE: 8.7 DAN from Stairs to Small Bedroom.

So. 44: SMALL BEDROOM /2E-J. Z4/

266.

CU DAN At upstairs window.

PAN him L. CRABBING to 2J as he goes downstairs out of shot L.

/BOOM 24/

/BOOM x2/

/RECORDING PAUSE: 9.7 DAN to Living Room stairs.

STRIKE TIONTER 2. CLOSE SWINGER 2. STRIKE ARMCHAIR AND DESK.

Sc. 45: LIVING ROOM

TH-P-B, 2 0-N-M-H, 3D-F-E, 4F-E-K, 5B. Z2, X2, Y3. FX DISC and MUSIC TAPE 'Q's 4 &

267.

2/S MARGARET/ RACHEL.

BOOM Don't worry, Rachel MARGARET: There must be some rn tional explanation.

RACHEL: No, there isn't. We're caught.

268.

Medium 2/S EDMUND and DAN /Q7 at foot of stairs. They both leave shot L.

 $\underline{\mathrm{DAN}}: \bigwedge^{\mathrm{O}}$  Black as pitch. Nothing at all.

And the back door's EDMUND: the same as the front.

So that s that. We stay, DAN: and sit it out. Whatever it is.

EDMUMD: Well, if it is some kind of mental force that s holding us (Cont.)

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(EDMUND, cont.). here, let's (On 3, shot 268) see if it'll stand up to this. 209. (HE HOLDS UP HAMMER.) and DAN L. HCLD on DAN DAN: / I shall have a brandy. at he pauses at drinks table. (LOOKING AT BOTTLE.) - I hope. That window is made of EDMUND: perfectly ordinary glass./ F MCU EDMUND as 270. he turns at builder broke a pane 🛵 he was window. putting it in, by dropping his trowel on it. So a hammer should do the trick. 271. MCU DAN The brandy's O.K. Mmm. DAN: CANUALO 272. (EDMUND SMASHES HAMMER ON GLASS. CU impact cut on glass. NOTHING HAPPENS.) F MOU EDMUND. 273. 274. P Impact cut. (HE HITS A SECOND TIME.) 3 D CU RASHEL: 275. RACHEL: (WITH A QUIET SMILE) No...  $\underline{\text{DAN}}:_{\mathcal{K}}$  All I can say, is that we O CU DAN. 276. must be a very strong-minded lot. Can Anyone else want a drink? 277. MCU EDMUND as (EDMUND HITS THIRD TIME.) he hits glass for the third time. PAN him R. past DAN, PULLING
BACK to 1H to
3/S - MARGARET/
RACHEL/EDMUND.

(PAUSE)

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(On 1, shot 277)

MARGARET: Alright, let's work it out.

 RACHEL: It's a waste of time.

<u>DAN</u>: Why not just sit back and enjoy it? After all, in a sense, we're privileged. We're

experiencing something that's probably unique.

279. 3 F

2/S MARGARET

CU f/g, DAN b/g L.

by drinks.

MARGARET: Inside the house, several extraordinary things have about going that we can the plain other than by suggesting that we're all sharing the same hysterical delusion.

280. <u>2 0</u> OU DAN.

<u>DAN:</u> I'm glad I married a rationalist. I always knew it would come in useful.

281. <u>3 F</u>
CU MARGARET.

MARGARET: But now the house itself has become part of the delusion. We look through the windows and see nothing, and some

282. 2 0

PAN MARGARET

L. to 2/S

with DAN.

AS SHE RISES:

windows and see nothing, and some inexplicable force keeps the doors, closed.

283. <u>L.H.</u> BOU EDMUND. EDMUND: (TO HIMSELF) The house itself....

284. <u>2 O</u>
Close 2/S
MARGARET/DAN.

MARGARET: What do you think is beyond those walls Dark outside the door? Do you think it's

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AND WEST TOO STREET AND STREET AND A STREET AS A STREE

(On2, shot 284)

(MARGARET, cont'd.): the two onrs, and a patch of grass, with a track leading to the main road? Or is it something else, ... just space, perhaps?

DAN: If it 's just space, your rationality's wearing a thin.

(MARGARET LOOKS DOWN AT HER WATCH, THEN LOOKS UP AT THE CLOCK ON THE WALL.)

MARGARET: What time does your watch say?

<u>DAN:</u> Five-thirty. It's stopped.

MARGALET: Edmund?

EDMUND: Five-thirty.

MARGARET: Rachel?

RAOHEL: (WITHOUT LOOKING) Fivethirty.

MARGARET: So does mine. So does the electric clock. And I be; you every other clock in the house snys five-thirty too.

/BOOM Y3/

EDMUND: That must have been the time when the lights went. out.

MARGARET: So. Everything stopped at five-thirty.

285. <u>1 H</u>
MS EDMUND.

286. <u>2 0</u> 2/8 n/b.

287. <u>3 F</u> GU RACHEL.

288. 2 0

2/S a/b

PUSHING IN and

CRAEBING R.

AS MARGARET goes

up to clock,

losing DAN.

289. 4 E

Wide 2/S MARGARET/

EDMUND as EDMUND

approaches from

onck R.

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(On 4, shot 289)

EDMUND: Or started....

DAN enters R. to make 3/s -MARGARET/EDMUND/ DAN.

EDMUND goes away to b/g. PUSH IN closer. on MAKGARET and DAN.

EDMUND returns to the group.

Everything? DAN:

MARGARET: (HALF TO HERSELE) And I wonder what time it is now ...?

DAN: For a rationalist, you're getting very fanciful. I'd prefer enteni to wait and see before venturing into the realms of science fiction. After all, we're perfectly O.K., Hare's nothing's happening to us. At the moment.

(EDMUND RETURNS TO GROUP.) It's the house, I'm sure it's something to do with the house. It all began when the house ceased functioning.

MARGARET: in The machinery, not It may be that the the house. house is functioning perfectly well.

(QUIETLY) I think we've RACHEL: been selected.

(SILENCE)

290. CU RACHEL.

291. 3/S DAN/MARGARET/ EDMUND.

292. CU RACHEL. EDMUND: What do you mean?

(EDMUND KNEELS BY RACHEL.)

RACHEL: Chosen. In some way.

The four of us.

MARGARET: What for?

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(On 3, shot 292)

293. 2 0

As MARGARET comes forward DAN joins her for 2/S MS.

DAN: Something nice I hope:

RACHEL: No...I don't think so.

MARGARET: (COMES FORWARD) Well...

we don't achieve anything by

getting all intense and visionary

about it, do we. What we need is

diata

to keep our eyes open and our

minds at full stretch; and

vhatever we find happening to us,

try to understand it.

DAN: Our antennee you mean. You have always have put too much reliance on the intellect. You look at Rachel. She's got all her receivers working at full power. It's nothing to do with the intellect, what's registering on her.

MARGARET: You want to believe it, don't you, that's what it is. But I den't. I want to know!

 $\overline{\text{EDMUND}}$ : Dan.  $\triangleright$  You remember those photos I told you about?

AS HE MOVES AWAY:

EDMUND passes

DAN joins him.

294. 4 E

Wide 2/S EDMUND,

and DAN entering

R.

in b/g.

295. <u>3 D</u> BOU RACHEL. DAN: What photos?

EDMUND: The photos of the house.

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(On 3, shot 295)

296. <u>4 E</u> <u>3/S EDMUND/</u> MARGARET/DAN. RACHEL: -Mo. Don't Look.

-Leave-them-alone:

MARGARET: Photos of the house...

EDMUND: Two sets we took. As it was before we started, and as it is now.

DAM: I wonder ....?

EDMUND: So do I.

297. 2 N Wide shot as EDMUND and DAN come to desk.

> PAN and TRACK IN close to drawer as they open it.

MARGARET crosses to sit f/g L., RACHEL b/g R. for close 2/S, CRABBING R. to HOLD. (THEY GO TO DESK AND
OPEN DRAYER.)
PACKET: The choice has been made
MARGINET: What is it, Rachel?

RACHEL: It's coming nearer.

Liencer, XI can feel it. It's almost here.

(MARGARET CROSSES AND SITS BESIDE RACHEL.)

MARGARTT: .What is it Rachel, What's coming nearer, what can you feel?

 $\underline{\text{R} \land \text{CHEL}}$ : I don't know. I can't explain it. It's in my stomach.

MARGARET: Tell me. Try to tell me!

299. <u>2 N</u> 2/S EDMUND/DAN.

(EDMUND AND DAN HAVE FOUND PHOTOS AND EXAMINE THEM.)

EDMUND: Here they are. Two

packets of prints, before and after.

300. 3 E

2/S MARGARET/

RACHEL.

MARGARET: What is it that's

coming? Where is it coming from?

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(On 3, shot 300)

RACHEL: Yes. It's here. Here in the house.

301. <u>2 N</u> 2/S EDMUND/DAN.

MARGARET: What?

work.

302,

1 B

CU of photo of house surrounded by nettles in DAN's L. hand.

EDMUND: Those are the before ones.
You see, that's how it was.

303. 3 D OU-RAOHEL: Tight W/S Mars/Rachel DAN: And are those phtos the ones you took, just as on the them? Do you recognise it?

Yes. Just as I took it.

CUICK PAN I.

RACHEL: The choice has been made, and now it's beginning to

to MARGARET.

MARGARET: What choice? What's

QUICK PAN R. to RACHEL. has been chosen? he ? PAN: The four of us.

304. 2 N Close 2/5

We have been chosen.

AND July 1 Leste U.

EDMUND: But look at this proand this fend. These should be

Close 2/S EDMUND/DAN.

Dan, I can see you didn't.

the modernised photos, but ....

EDMUND: I've never seen the cottnge like this.

305. 1 B

CU photo ss

DAN holds it s/b.

<u>DAN</u>: No, you haven't, because the picture was taken two hundred years ago....

306.  $\frac{2 \text{ N}}{\text{Close 2/S.}}$ 

(3 next)

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(On 2, shot 306) 307. 308. 309. 310. 314. 312.313.

They turn their backs to Cam. ZOOM IN to photo between their shoulders.

QUICK-PAN-II. to-BOU-EDMUND:

D OU RACHEL.

/S/B FX TAPE/

N Tight 2/S a/b.

(RUN FX TARE) BOU RACHEL.

2/S MARGARET/ RACHEL.

N Co EDMUND. QUIOK PAN R. to CU-DAN:

CU RACHEL: Her face creases with pain.

N OU DAN.

314. 2/S MARGARET/ RACHEL.

315. CU RACHEL as shegroans.

316. CU EDMUND,

That one, look nt this one DAN:

There's someone at the window.

It's a woman. A fair-EDMUND:

haired woman, with a shawl.

Yes. A fair-haired RACHEL: woman, with a thin face, and a It's beginning. shwwl.

DAN: (TO EDMUND) How does she

know?

RACHEL: Listen...

Listen....

RADIOPHONIC **ΤΧ ΤΛΡΕ:** dbjects. falling etc. TRW 7567. (42"

What is it? DAN: De quiet MARGARET: Concentrate, watch everything that happens. (RACHEL GROANS.)

(1 next)

(On 4, shot 316)

PANNING him R. to sofa.

317. 1 H

EDMUND: Rachel....

1 H
2/S, EDMUND
exters to make
3/S - MARGARET/
RACHEL/EDMUND.

MARGARET: Don't touch her,

leave her alone.

318. <u>2 0 (sliding to M)</u> OU DAN.

DAN: Something hit merror book,

(Pre-recorded Visual Effects shot to be edited in.)

look at the ceiling!

AS DIRECTED:

319. <u>1 H</u> 2/S along sofa.

320, <u>2 M</u> CU DAN.

DAN: The house is falling down!

321. 4 F (tracked in) OU MARGARET

MARGARET: No, not the house...

the plaster, the paper, the paint,

look!

322. <u>3 D</u> **Q**U RACHEL.

(THE NOISE GETS LOUDER AND LOUDER - CLIMAX AT 52")

323. 1 H
On EDMUND,
when he riscs

(PLASTER SLIDES TO FLOOR,
MATERIAL FALLS FROM CEILING
TO REVEAL ORIGINAL BEAMS,
THE THREE PEOPLE TRY TO
PROTECT THEMSELVES AGAINST
BOTH THE OBJECTS AND THE
APPALLING NOISE.)

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324. J. D. OU RACHEL.

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Ractel Camend: (THE NOISE CEASES) - C(3".

RACHEL: The pain, the pain...

325. 4 F
Wide group shot
os they go
towards RACHEL.

MARGARET: What is it Rachel,

tell us.

326. 1 H
W/S group as
they surround
RACHEL. WAS SEA

(On 1, phot 3cc)

ZOOM IN to BOU RACHEL.

327: <u>2 H</u> CU EDMUND.

328. <u>3 D</u> CU DAN.

> QUICK PAN to MARGARET

and PAN DOWN to profile RACHEL.

329. <u>2 H</u>
BCU EDMUND.

33<sup>U</sup>. <u>L. H. GU. MARGARET</u>

PAN DOWN to

PUSH IN on closer ZOOM. RACHEL (VERY QUIETLY AND THUESELY, IN ANOTHER CHARACTER, THOUGH IN HER OWN VOICE.)

There is nothing more to be done. The children have cried themselves to sleep, and we are all too weak to move now. I can only sit here, talking to the walls, and wondering how long it will be

EDMUND: What is she saying?

DAN: What children?

MARGARET: Just listen. Go on Rachel. We can all hear.

MACHEL: If I could write, I would put it all in a book, so that the whole world should know what they've done to us. But no-one bothers to teach the poor, so even that comfort is denied me. But I have to speak. I have to make it known, even if only to the bare walls.

<u>EDMUND</u>: Who is it, who is it speaking?

MARGARET: I don't know. Just listen.

RACHEL: I, Sarah Jane Malby, born a Christian, aged twenty-six years, a married woman, but now a

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(Cont.)

(On 1, shot 330)

(RACHEL, cont.): widow, am

Lying here on a straw mattress
with my two children, Robert and
Jane. There is a little water,
but nothing to eat, We have
none of us eaten for well over a
week at least. I don't remember
when.

EDMUND: Here. In this house.

MARGARET. Listen.

RACHEL: My husband Ropert was a hardworking man, and we were all happy till the bad times came. Then reople had to leave for the towns, and many houses in the village stood empty. There was no trade ard no work, till bread became too dear to buy, and then there was none at all to be had: Squire told us there was no more work, and we must fend for ourselves, and the Parson told us to pray to God. We did pray. We prayed to him day and night. But the food got less and less, and my husband was in despair. He took to going out at night, and some nights he'd bring back a rabbit or a hen, even a lamb one time, and we managed to live for several months that way, (Cont.)

331. <u>2 H</u> CU <u>EDMUND.</u>

332. <u>3 D</u> OU MARGARET.

333. <u>L H</u> HOLD tight on RACHEL.

(On 1, shot 333)

(RACHEL, contid.): But the gumekeepers got stricter, a man in the next village was hanged, and there was no more game to be and, with half the county living on it. A man came one night, with a book in his hand, and he talked to Robert till dawn. They spoke angily, and cried out, so that I heard it, and the children stirred in their sleep. Then the next night Robert went out with that man and some others. and he didn't come back the next morning. And I heard that there were fires in the fields, the ricks were burning, and the Squire's barn had been burned down, and that my Robert had been taken by the soldiers,

336. <u>1 H</u> On RACHEL 1/b. EDMUND: Rachel, darling...

MARGARET: No, you must let her finish.

RACHEL: I went to the Assizes.

I saw my Robert in the dock with
the other men, looking pale and ill.

I was praying for transportation,
but it was death. I cried out

337. <u>5 B</u> Low OU RACHEL.

(l next)

(On 5, shot 337)

(AS SHE TURNS)

338<del>. <u>1</u> н</del> <del>RAUHHь a/b.</del>

(RACHEL, cent.)! to the judge that we wore sall starving, and what were we expected to do without food. But the judge spoke grandly about property and rights, and I was dragged from the court. took the two children to see their father hanged. I told them to remember what was being done to him; so that they should grow up to avenge his death on all the wicked men responsible. But that will never happen now. A doctor told me it takes twenty minutes for a hanging man to die. I stood there all the time, without thking : -my eyes orf his poor face, giving him all my love to help him bear that tarrible death. He moved a little at first, but gradually became still. But I waited over half an hour, to be quite sure, None of us cried. Not even the children.

339. <u>2 H</u> OU EDMUND.

340. 5 B

Bow profile
RACHEL.

EDMUND: Barbarians, barbarians!

RACHEL: That evening I tried to see the Squire. But they chased was away angrily, and read my hugband was a criminal. I crept

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(Or5, shot 340)

## /SZB MUSIC CAPEZ

(RACHEL, cont'd.): round the side of the house, hoping to go in and tell the Squire of my childrens' hungar, and ask for his morey. Then I go to the window, I could see them at table. The Squire was there, and his brother the Parson, and his sons. There was a side of beef, and several roast chickens, and cakes and pies and bottles of red wine.

341. 2 H GO TAPE/
Reaction
EDMUND:

MUSIC TAPE: Q.4. Clavishord (56") (57")

342 <u>1 H. RAOHEL A/b.</u>

RACHEL: And in the corner, the Squire's daughter was playing music, a sweet melancholy tune, while my husband lay dend, and my children were crying for food. And I thought, this can never be forgiven, no circumstances, no degree of self-interest, not even ignorance can <del>byed</del> excuse this fensting and dancing, while on the same planet, in the same village, people are starving. And I knew then that I was beaten. Ensaine, the warm that where there was nothope, that there was nothing to be done, that this wickedness and injustice was

(2 next)

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( @nt.)

(On 1, shot 342)

344.

(RACHEL, cont'd.): too great a monster for me to grapple with. I came home and closed my door, and since that day no-one has bothered to open it to see who may be inside.

34]. <u>2 H</u> CU EDMUND.

EDMUND: Here she means. She means here.

RACHEL: I used to believe in God. But this world is mens! work, I recognise it by the bloodstains. If God still sees us, he sees us with despair. Tike Pilate, he shakes his head, and washes his hands, unable to save us. I know we will scon be dead now. The worst pain is over, and my bodily weakness is almost comforting, like the beginning of sleep. I have no forgiveness for the selfishness and greed which has destroyed my family / The hardest thing of my dying is to know that our murderers will go unpunished. Someone, surely, must pay for our unjust deaths - And all the other deaths like ours, for I know we are not unique. If no ear can hear my accusations, no eye ever read them,

Sylv up

RACHEL

(Cont.)

(On 1, shot 344.

345.

(R/CHEL, cont.): Let my words burn themselves into the fabric of these walls, so that, brickwork nna-plaster and thems should remember the agony and injustice of those dying under this roof. How can this ground ever be easy, الميدالي while there is no atonement for crimes like these. The soil is bitter with my childrens' blood. I can't say any more, just this cry against injustice from the dark centuries./ Jane is deal now, I think, and Robert is in a deep sleep from which he will never wake. I can't speak any Lave to Swe more. I Ahall need all my breath to face the reality of this which starvation that is slowly draining

346. H CU RACHEL (Clear 5)

hand.

PAN her hond

as sho feels for dead

When hand goes still, ZOÖM IN

very close to

children.

my life..... While we sleep in our paupers' graves, let someone, somewhere, remember .....

## /S/B MUSIC TAPE/

PAN UP to MARGARET.

MARGARET: Us. The chosen

four.

347. H BCU EDMUND.

348. BCU DAN, reaction.

/GO TAPE/ 349. RACHEL hears music, opens eyes. MUSIC TAPE: Q.5. (21004) Clavichord.

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(On 1, shot 349)

(5 pull back fast out of 3's shot)

350.

4/S group ds RACHEL sits upright and rises.

PAN her R. to door past EDMUND and MARGARET.

She goes out of door R. with EDMUND. DAN and MARGARET come in L.

EDMUND: Rachel....

Where are you going?

Follow her. Hold my MARGARET:

hand Dun.

DAN: Don't be

you we were privileged.

ZRECORDING PAUSE: 10.7

for adjuing in Stairs Sc. 46, done at end. MARGARET, DAN, RACHEL & EDMUND to Small

Bedroom.

Sc. 46; STATES (Recorded at end)

364. Rachel and Edmund three-quarters of way up stairs.
Dan and Margaret enter R. and exit R.

> <u>Sc. 47:</u> SMALL BEDROOM /IM. Z4/

351.

They go upstairs to Small Bedroom past Cam.L. and enter into Bedroom. /BOOM-247

(THEY ALL FOUR GO UPSTAIRS AND INTO SMALL BEDROOM.)

(Recording Break next - sec over)

(After Shot 351, on 1)

RECORDING BREAK: 3.7

DAN, MARGARET, EDMUND AND RACHEL to Main Bedroom 2.

SET IN MAIN-BEDROOM 2. FLATAGE.

r 2 .

# Sc. 48: MAIN BEDROOM 2. (18th century) 2P-R,3M, 5D. X47

352. **2** P

Low shot wide as the four enter b/g.

PAN ALONG them as they stop -- RACHEL/EDMUND/DAN/MARGARET.

PULL AWAY from them to 2R, PAN OFF them across wall and ceiling L. to position above paliasse, till dead model's face comes into CV.

(Music out)

/EOC/7X47

353.

M : CU RACHEL.

PAN R. to EDMUND, DAN and MARGARET.

354. 5 1

CU feet of dead woman.

PAN R. to see children.

355. A

CU RACHEL .

PAN to EDMUND, TO DAN, TO MARGARET.

MARGARET: Yes, I understand

now. Now I understand.

(4 next - Sc.49: Dining Room)

(On 3, shot 355)

Sc. 49: DINING ROOM (as they left it)  $\sqrt{4D7}$ 

MLX 356. <u>4</u> 1

MIX Q Q SPOTETGHT UP/ 4 D Spotlight as it dims up.

RECORDING BREAK: 4.7

CAMS. & BOOMS RE-POSITION. OPEN SWINGER 1.

Sc. 50: DINING ROOM (as they left it)

357.

B Wide shot empty Dining Room, with meal half-caten.

Sc. 51: WINCHEN

358.

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Sc. 52; LIVING ROOM

<u>/IL-'B</u>/ BLUE SCAN/

359.

L W/S Living Room.

'CRAB to LE,'
200M IN to TV
set with blue
scan.

-PADE-OUP-

53: DINING ROOM (as at beginning of play)

## /4B, 2B: Y2. YR INUX/ /DAYLIGHT/

F/U

22.

B CU PHOTOGRAPHER flashing

#### /S/B VT INSERT/

23. 2 B

W/S PHOTOGRAPHER

comes f/g, turns
back to Oam. and
shoots table again.

#### RUN VI

PAN him R. into living room and upstairs.

MENDARCE (V/O)

/BOOM Y2/ (DINING TABLE IS FULLY LAID, AND UNTOUCHED. THROUGH WINDOW THE TWO CARS CAN BE SEEN.)

\*\*ENNETH KENDALL\*\* (V/O from insert):

("The Minister of Transport has ordered an enquiry into yesterday's motorway pile-up; in which more than two hundred vehicles are thought to have been involved. No casualty figures are yet available but they are thought to be certain to push the holiday accident toll to a new record level. The Minister, commenting on the provisional figures; described them as "dreadful", and it is thought that new measures are being considered in the Minister to reduce what are becoming the hazards of motorway driving.")

## Sc. 54: LIVING ROOM

## /IB: Z2, TV SET + NEWS INSERT RUNNING/

LCY E.

FAN L. past
POLICEMAN to see
LS FINGERPRINT
DETECTIVE at TV
set.
ZOOM IN to set
to see MS KENNETH
KENDALL reading

news.

KENNETH KENDALL (V/O in b/g):

The Chair man of the World Famine Relief Organisation, speaking at a Unesco conference in Paris on Europe and the underdeveloped world, has called for a radical heart-searching on the part of the developed countries. It is well known he said, that under the present circumstances, far from rectifying the situation,

(Break next)

24.

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(On 1, shot 24)

(MS K. KENDALL)

K. KENDALD (Cont'a., on VT insert): the rich countries are getting richer, and the poor countries are getting poore;. How much longer are we prepared to let this situation continue, he asked the assembled delegates. His question was received in silence.

Finally, news is just coming in of a bizarre Christmas tragedy. In a remote country cottage four apparently healthy people in their middle thirties have been found dead. An air of mystery surrounds the story at the moment, said a spokesman at Scotland Yard, but foul play is not suspected. The four bodies when found were in an extremely emaciated condition, and although the house was full of food and drink, and a sumptuous Christmas dinner was laid on the table, apparently untouched, all four people appear to have died of starvation."

/RECOUDING BREAK:

Sc. 2 NEXT: MAIN BEDROOM: EDMUND, DAN.

GO TAPE

Sc. 55: EXT. COTTACE

#### TELECINE: Film seq. 2.

Outside the sottage, MS as policemen get out of car door. Pan them E. towards outtage.

Pan them E. towards outtage.

MS tree f/g on L. as plicemen come towards cam. and go out of shot L. behind tree.

LS tree on L. as policemen go towards house.

Oblique LS house with policemen going R. to L. behind house in b/g.

7. S/I TITLE 3:

"THE EXORCISM"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

8. SLIDE TITLE 4: "by DON TAYLOR"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

9. S/I SLIDE TITLE 5: "Rachel ANNA @ROPPER"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I 10; <u>SLIDE</u> TITLE 6: "Margaret

TAKE OUT SLIDE

SYLVIA KAY"

(Slide pext)

- l(a) -

S.O.E. and MUSIU TAPE: clavichord (T:42") (43") S/I 11. SLIDE TITLE 7:

> "Edwund EDWAR**D** PETHERBRIDGE"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I 12. <u>SLIDE</u>

TITLE 8:

"Tan | CLIVE SWIFT"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I SLIDE THE 9:

> "Newsreader KENNETH KENDALL"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I 14. <u>SLIDE</u>

TIULE 10:

"Music composed and played by HERBERT CHAPPELL"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I SEIDE TITLE 11:

> "Gostume KIRSTIE COLAM

Make-up

SIDONIÂ WEBSTER"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I 16. SIIDE TITLE 12:

> "Visual Effects Designers JOHN FRIEDLANDER JAMES WARD"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

(Slide next)

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(On Telecime seq. 2.)

SLIDE S/I 17.

TITLE 13:

"Lighting JAMES MATDEN

Sound

NORMAN CANLIN

TAKE OUT SLIDE

6/I SLIDE 18.

TITLE 14:

"Soript Editor LCUIS MARKS"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I 19.

SLIDE TITLE 15:

"Designer JUDY STEELE

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I SLIDE 20.

TIPLE 16:

"Producer INNES LLOYD"

TAKE OUT SLIDE

S/I SLIDE 21.

TITLE 17:

"Directed by DON TAYLOR

BBC Colour C. BBC 1972

TAKE OUT SLIDE

FADE SOUND& VISION

## RECORDING PAUSE:

PHOTOGRAPHER. Cam.4. Sc. 53 next: DINING ROOM.

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